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Hon. Sara Kyle, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
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Re: Petition for Arbitration of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. with
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the
Telecommunications Act of 1996
Docket No. 03-00119

Dear Chairman Kyle:

At the conclusion of Wednesday's mediation session, the mediator, Mr. Jerry Bennett, notified the parties that the Authority could schedule an arbitration hearing in this proceeding during the week of July 21, 2003. Unfortunately, trial counsel for BellSouth has previously scheduled hearings in federal court during that week. BellSouth respectfully requests that the matter be rescheduled. BellSouth will work with counsel for DeltaCom to identify agreed dates to be proposed to the Authority.

As information, several issues were settled during yesterday's mediation and a number of others are likely to settle as a result of the efforts of the mediator and the parties. We appreciate Mr. Bennett's efforts in that regard.

Copies of this letter are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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cc: Hon. Jerry Bennett, Mediator

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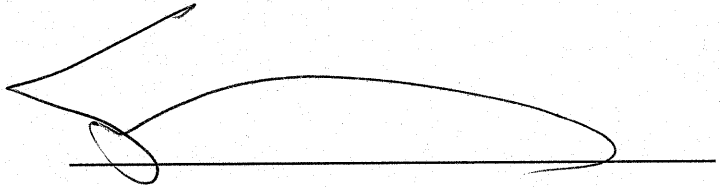
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